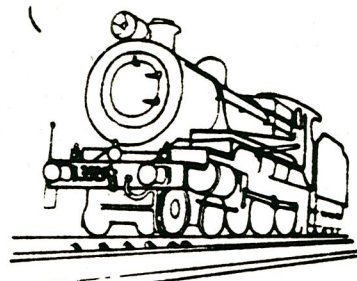


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## 1983 Presidents Report.

I am very pleased to announce the completion of our Club House thanks mainly to the efforts of Trevor Arney, Jack Murray and those members who gave a lot of their time and energy on its construction. In the latter stages Jack Murray, Laurie Davy, Bryce Peake and Allan Cottrell worked regularly on Wednesdays to complete the finishing touches.

The Ladies commenced using the kitchen for the Christmas Party and were very pleased with the facilities and spaciousness after the cramped conditions previously endured for many years. We are greatly indebted to all the ladies who over the years have continued to operate the kiosk, the funds from which have helped in the building of this Club House. Please ensure that the kitchen is maintained in a clean and tidy condition particularly on the third Saturday of each month.

Two Charity Days were held in the past year, the first in September for the Crowle Home and the second in March for the Hills District Childrens Therapy Centre. The Crowle Home Committee presented the Society with a certificate expressing their appreciation for our efforts on their behalf over many years.

Two inter-club visits were held during the year at Illawarra Live Steamers Co. Op Ltd., and the Hornsby and District Model Engineering Society.

The past year has also seen the following work completed:-

A new copper water service from the elevated station to the club house and southern end of the grounds. It was reassuring to have this completed before the very dry summer months.

The pedestrian bridge at the southern end of the grounds was extended to provide the necessary clearance for the inner ground level track.

The pedestrian bridge over the ground level station received urgently needed repairs and a coat of paint.

A new diamond crossing was fabricated and installed largely by Eric Holmes opposite the club house. Eric was also responsible for a temporary transfer from the elevated to ground level tracks to enable work to proceed on the re location of the ground level turntable and roads.

A number of new passenger cars have been manufactured by our members during the past year, some with an effective braking system.

Projects nearing completion include the signal box, a replacement inner ground level track bridge and counter-weights for the carriage shed doors.

Fabrication is proceeding on a longer beam for the elevated stub points adjacent to the ground level station.

The next major project is the relocation of the ground level turntable and its associated roads and unloading hoist, the site having been cleared and excavations commenced.

Future projects include the connection of the lever frame to its points and signals, access steps and guard railing to the signal box, extension of the carriage shed and construction of a traverser between the elevated tracks and the carriage shed, construction of a barbecue, gates for the elevated track vehicle crossing, a suitable sign facing the car park, renewal of the car park fence. Replace the existing footbridge at the southern end of the grounds to facilitate the wider spacing of the tracks at this location.

We commenced the new year with 68 members and one provisional member, Jack Murray and Henry Spencer being accepted as full members during the past twelve months.

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Presidents Report. cont.

In closing I wish to thank the members of the Board for their efforts on behalf of the Society throughout the past year and welcome our new director Bernie Courtenay. Trevor Arney has retired from the Board having been a director since 1979, he organised the construction of the club house and has done an excellent job for our Society.

Jim Hyde. President, S.L.S.L.S.Co Op  
Ltd.

Duty Roster.

Aug. '83. J.L.Hurst, J.Davies, R.Lee, N.Campbell, P.Shields, J.Lyons, B.Donovan  
Sept. '83. B.Hurst, B.Tulloch, A.Eyre, M.Yule, J.Hyde, B.Rawlinson, L.Davy.  
Oct. '83. W.Edgecombe, G.Esdaile, W.Allison, B.Peake, J.Leishman, J.Murray, E.Sweet.  
Nov. '83. T.Arney, G.Farkas, P.Dunn, M.Tyson, A.Mackellar, H.Ryan, K.Gapes.  
Dec. '83. W.Richards, I.Ramsay, T.Geraghty, W.Sandberg, J.Hagan, H.Spencer, A.Cottrell,

Members are reminded that now the club house is finished those on the Duty Roster should see to the cleaning of the meeting rooms, kitchen and toilets.

Gate Roster.

Sept. L.Davy, Oct. W.Allison. Nov. B.Courtenay. Dec. M.Tyson.

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CHARITY DAY

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The Crowel Home Charity Day will be held on  
Saturday 3rd. September. Starting time 1.30 PM

Keep the date free and let us have a good turn out.

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General News.

The Sandbergs, Warrick and Glenys, took delivery of a new addition to their family on the 21st July last. Graeme Anthony is doing well as is his mother, I also believe Warrick has not yet come down to earth. Congratulations.

It is intended to hold a Social Night  
in the new Club House on the evening  
of Saturday 22nd October. There  
will be more details to follow.

The next INTER CLUB MEET will be held at our grounds starting at 9.00 am on Saturday 29th October.

To celebrate their 10th Birthday the HORNSBY and DISTRICT MODEL ENGINEERING SOCIETY are having a special running week end on the 8th and 9th of October.

All interested members are invited

Editorial

After forgetting to add an Editorial as well as messing up the Duty Roster twice in a row I must tend an apology. Your help is needed to provide material for the Newsletter, we must have members who could contribute something of interest.

I am sorry for the short length of this Newsletter but the winter virus caught up with me at the most inconvenient time, better a short Newsletter than none at all.

John Lyons

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Reminder that the Christmas Party and Run  
Day will be held on Saturday 10th of  
December. Keep this day free.